

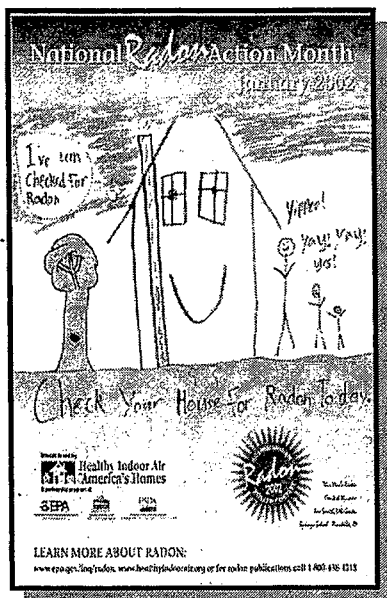


IEN News

Indoor Environments Network (IEN)

April - June 2002

FIFTH-GRADER WINS RADON POSTER CONTEST!



EPA Administrator Governor Christie Whitman, presented an award to Ian Smith, a fifth grader from Pocatello, Idaho, winner of the National Radon Poster contest. The contest is sponsored by EPA and the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Cooperative Extension Service www.montana.edu/wwwcxair. Many from EPA and USDA gathered to congratulate Ian on his achievement. Ian was acknowledged for his creativity and the impact his poster will have in motivating homeowners across the country to test for and fix high levels of radon. To receive a free poster, send your request to blallen@montana.edu. The contest will be repeated in 2002. Stay tuned for more information in the months ahead on how and when to enter.



World Asthma Day - May 7, 2002

"Working Together, So Everyone Can Breathe Better"

- **World Asthma Day is approaching!** Join EPA and many non-profit organizations on May 7th to sponsor an asthma awareness program in your community that focuses on the environmental contributors to asthma. Growing at an alarming rate, asthma is one of the world's leading diseases among children. Established in 1999 by the Global Initiative for Asthma, World Asthma Day is a worldwide effort to reduce the risks of asthma. Check out the attached World Asthma Day flyer and visit the EPA web site at www.epa.gov/iaq/asthma/wad2002 for more details on how to sponsor your own World Asthma Day Event.
- **3rd Annual IAQ Tools for Schools National Symposium:** EPA will host the 2002 *Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools* (IAQ TFS) Symposium August 8-10, 2002, in Washington, D.C. The Symposium will bring together various school officials to discuss the importance of good indoor air quality (IAQ) in schools. Training sessions and materials available at the Symposium will help schools learn how to implement an IAQ management program. Registration information is available at www.epa.gov/iaq/schools. Check out the attached flyer for symposium details and further registration information.



AROUND THE NETWORK:

- **Calendar of Radon/IAQ Activities for April-June 2002:** See the attached calendar for activities going on around the Network. Won't you join us at one of our informative events?
- **REGISTER TODAY to attend the Asthma Clinical & Environmental Institute!**
April 8-9, 2002 - Boston, MA, at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel
April 29-30, 2002 - Chicago, IL, at the Radisson Hotel & Suites



The Asthma Clinical and Environmental Institute emphasizes the importance of clinical and environmental management and education of asthma. Best practices in pediatric asthma care and strategies to reduce exposure to environmental triggers associated with asthma through school-based interventions will also be presented at the Institute. Information and online registration are available at www.clinicalmeetings.com. For further information, please contact the registration Helpline at (888) 889-6177 or send an e-mail to skerin@jwallc.com.

IAQ PUBLICATIONS AND PRODUCTS:

- **IAQ TFS Technical Assistance Hotline:** Need Help? A technical assistance information hotline is now available for school staff with questions about air quality in the school environment. Simply dial the toll-free number, 1-866-TFS-EPA1 (1-866-437-3721), and the Hotline staff will provide information and answer questions on topics including mechanical systems, ventilation, pollutant sources, how to get started with *IAQ TFS*, and application of the *IAQ TFS* Kit. Hotline hours are weekdays from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Central Time. Questions may also be sent anytime via E-mail to tfs_help@epa.gov.
- **Symposium 2001 Session Materials:** Presentations from the 2001 training sessions of the *IAQ TFS Symposium* are now available online. Visit www.epa.gov/iaq/schools/symposium_materials.html to get copies.
- **Reminder note** - Please submit your entries for the next IEN Calendar mailing (July-September 2002) to IENcoordinator@cadmusgroup.com no later than June 1, 2002.

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